CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

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The Conference on Disarmament,

Taking note of recent initiatives regarding the negotiation of a comprehensive nuclear-test-ban treaty (CTB),

Convinced that, to contribute effectively to the prevention of the proliferation of nuclear weapons in all its aspects and therefore to the enhancement of international peace and security, a CTB should be universal and internationally verifiable,

Convinced further that, in order to achieve this goal, it is essential that a CTB be, from the outset, multilaterally negotiated in all its aspects, including its verification provisions,

Stresses that, as the sole multilateral negotiating forum of the international community in the field of disarmament, it has the primary responsibility to negotiate a CTB,

Decides to review the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee on NTB in order to allow it to undertake forthwith the negotiation of a CTB;

Requests the Ad Hoc Committee on NTB to make the necessary arrangements to continue this negotiation immediately after the end of the present session.

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